

**The New Steamer Mikahala.**

The Interisland Steam Navigation Company's new screw steamer Mikahala arrived in port yesterday forenoon, under command of Captain B. B. Hempstead, who reports having left San Francisco at noon on January 3d, two days before the Australia. Discharged pilot at 1:30 p. m.; experienced fresh E.N.E. breezes to port. The run occupied 8 days 20 hours, the best time being made on the second day, when 265 miles were covered. The minimum distance on any one day was 230 miles. The average speed was therefore between 10 and 11 knots, but the maximum speed with a good breeze is estimated at about 12 knots. The cargo consisted of 100 tons general merchandise for the owners. The vessel is schooner rigged, and the Captain speaks very favorably of her sailing qualities. The dimensions are: Length over all, 150 feet; depth of hold, 14 feet; beam, 29 feet. The tonnage, according to the measurement of Messrs. Hall Bros., the builders, is 422 tons, which will probably coincide with the Hawaiian register. The Mikahala is of a fine model, resembling in general contour the W. G. Hall, but somewhat smaller, she being a little in excess of the wrecked steamer Planter, for which she is about to be substituted. The engines are those rescued from the Planter, but the boiler has been renewed. Some of the saloon fittings from that steamer will also be used. There are eight double-berth staterooms on the upper deck and eight on the lower. The Mikahala, which name is given after one of the old Hawaiian Chiefs, will be placed upon the Kauai route, and it is probable that Captain Freeman, of the Iwalani, will assume the command. The first trip will be taken the week after next. The company will now have six steamers engaged in the interisland trade.

**Police Patrols.**

It is satisfactory to learn that Marshal Kaulukou will introduce a very desirable reform into the police force shortly. As soon as he can procure horses he will detail two mounted officers to patrol the suburbs of Honolulu every night. This will provide increased security against lawlessness.

**Cholera.**

Thirty-four new cases of cholera were reported at Buenos Ayers and twenty deaths on the last day of 1886. It is almost certain to travel northward and come in contact with the stream of traffic to these islands. The Board of Health should take note of this fact.

The Hon. J. H. Putnam, United States Consul General, returned to Honolulu by the Australia much improved in health. Miss Putnam accompanied him.

**A Wonderful Dog.**

A solemn man in a western city recently entered a restaurant, followed by his dog, seated himself and called for a bill of fare. It was given him.

"What would you like to have, sir?" asked the waiter, flipping the table with his napkin.

"Well," said the solemn man, reflectively, "I want some ox tail soup."

"Gimme the same," said the dog.

The waiter's face assumed the color of cold boiled veal.

"Cup o' coffee and plenty of milk," went on the solemn man.

"Gimme the same," said the dog.

"The waiter shuddered, and turning, fled for the kitchen.

A man with a squint at an adjoining table was much interested in the scene. He had observed it closely, and finally spoke to the solemn man.

"It must be a fearful lot o' work to teach that dog to talk, mister."

"It was," said the solemn man.

"I should think so," said the dog.

The man with the squint was much impressed. He began making wild offers, and when he reached \$500 the solemn man relented.

"Well," he said, "I can't refuse that. I hate to part with him, but you can have him."

"He'll be sorry for it," said the dog.

The man with a squint took a check for the amount, which he gave to the solemn man. The man was about leaving when the dog cried aloud:

"Never mind, I'll get even. I'll never speak again."

He never did.

The gentleman with the squint was the proprietor of a show.

The solemn man was a professional ventriloquist.—Buffalo Express.

**Where They Should Dwell.**

Cooks should settle in Greece.

Fresh young men in Greenland.

Prize fighters in Warrangland.

Angry men should go to Ireland.

Wallers should find comfort in China.

The enterprising man should be a Russian.

Scolding women should go among the Tartars.

Wicked people should stop on the road to Honolulu.

Quakers would feel at home in the Friendly Islands.

Hotel keepers should settle in the Feed-yo Islands.

Profane men should travel to Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

Hot-headed individuals should migrate to Iceland and Chili.

Married folks should content themselves in the United States.

Dressmakers might find it profitable to locate in the Besque provinces.—H. J. Shellman in The Judge.

**Brevities.**

A minister made an interminable call upon a lady of his acquaintance. Her little daughter, who was present, grew weary of his conversation, and whispered in an audible key: "Don't be bring his amen with him, mamma!"—San Francisco Call.

A farmer sent \$1 for a lightning potato bug killer, which he saw advertised in a paper, and received by return mail two blocks of wood, with directions printed on as follows: "Take this block, which is No. 1, in the right hand, place the bug on No. 2, and press them together. Remove the bug, and proceed as before."—Hudson (N. Y.) Register.

Piton, late private in the marines, who has recently returned from Tonguin with a wooden leg, called the other day on his friend Gullible, who exclaimed with his wonted fervor: "Brave warriors, thanks to you France has now one foot in the remote east!" "Right you are," replied Piton, "twas I who left it there."—Vie Parisienne.

The girls will be pleased with a uniform marriage law if the uniform is pretty and the law is a man in it.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

A cool stove is a cast iron paradox. It won't burn unless you put it up, and then it won't burn unless you shake it down.—Dance of Breeze.

**THE LIME KILN CLUB.****First Reports of the Committee—How the Finances are Handled.**

The judiciary committee reported that there was little doing in law, and what there was seemed to be all in the hands of lawyers who were engaged in establishing the innocence of suspected criminals. They recommended that about half of every jury be sent to state prison along with the party convicted. The committee on the sciences had nothing new to report, but recommended such a change in the planetary system as would result in more moonlight nights. The recommendation was adopted, and the club will see that the change is made. At least, the president said so.

The committee on harmony reported that the strained relations with Mexico had limbered up, until it was now possible for a Texan and a Greaser to meet without wanting to eat each other up. The fishery question was still an open one, but there was no talk of war with Canada.

The committee on art submitted a report condemning the nude in statuary and paintings. While they could not say that the moral effect was bad, there was no gainsaying the fact that the tendency was to ignore the clothing trade of the country.

The committee on finance reported that they had examined the accounts of the treasurer and janitor and found both correct, while the money claimed to be deposited in bank had been counted and found to pan out to a cent. They had no recommendations to make, being satisfied that everybody was honest.

"We have no confidential clerk employed in this establishment," said Brother Gardner as the chairman of the committee sat down, "nor any Sunday scale superintendent permitted to handle our funds according to his own judgment. All moneys coming in or going out pass through different hands, and each person must take an 'give a receipt. De key to de safe am made in fo' pieces, and handed to fo' different parties. When we make a bank deposit it takes seven of us, and de one who carries de money on his pussion am closely watched by de odder six."

**Making a bank deposit.**

If our cash account doesn't tally up to a cent every day in de year you kin look out fur lower barometer am high winds in de lake region.

Sir Isaac Walpole secured the floor to suggest that, in view of the increased length of the evenings and the large attendance at the library it might be a good thing to form a debating society. He had belonged to several during the last twenty years, and believed himself to have been greatly benefited.

"We will take de matter under advisement," replied the president. "I has had some lesstle experience wid delectin' societies, and dis yore scar on de back of my head was de result of once bein' on de negative side when de question at issue was, 'What Could We Do Widout Wimmen?' We will decide de case later on."—Detroit Free Press.

**Selected Morsels.**

'Tis now the season when the youth stops telling fairy tales about the baneful effects of ice cream and conjures up something that fits oysters.

**LATELY RETROTHED.**

She—Isn't that papa coming?  
He—How provoking; I was just going to steal a kiss.

She (ingenuously)—He's awfully near sighted, Charley, awfully!

**DANGER.**

First Tramp—Say, Mike, d' you suppose dat last cider we sucked out 'r dat bar'l was der real stuff?

Second Tramp—Why cert, pard; why not? First Tramp—Oh, nawthin', only my breath smells so much like kerosene I'm afraid to light my pipe.

**UNKNOWN TO AN EDITOR.**

Subscriber—I've always wondered how it was possible for you to come down to the office after dinner and write those elegant editorials of yours on a full stomach.

Country Editor—A full stomach! What's that?

**HIS LIFE IN DANGER.**

A countryman with a large jug made a bargain with a Kentuckian to take him four miles over the hills.

"How much'll you charge?"  
"Oh, a couple of swigs of the stuff in that jug'll make it about square, I reckon."

After the journey had been made and the Kentuckian had taken a swig, he said:  
"Stranger, I'm a peaceable man, but if you don't want to be chock full of lead to-night you'd better find another way to carry yer molasses."

**HOW THE PHYSICIAN GAINS WEALTH.**

Dr. Pillsbury—Let me see your tongue. Hum! Apples good!  
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Dr.—Digestion all right?  
P.—O, yes.  
Dr.—Are you troubled with sleeplessness?  
P.—Never.

Dr.—Do you ever have severe pains in the head or back?  
P.—None.  
Dr.—Don't you often feel a disinclination to work?  
P.—Well, yes.  
Dr.—And a desire to lie abed late mornings?  
P.—Frequently.

Dr.—It is as I thought. Get this prescription put up at once and take a teaspoonful every three hours in water. I'll call again to-morrow. Good day.—Tid Bits.

**A Narrow Escape.**

Harrison Smiler had been up before a committee of members of the African Methodist church to which he belonged, on the charge of appropriating hams from smoke houses. As there was not evidence enough to convict, he was acquitted, principally on his own testimony. After the investigation was over, Harrison met the preacher who had presided, and remarked: "I say, pahnson, it's mighty lucky for me dat I got 'quitted dis mawnin'."

"It am, suah. I hope you wuz 'quitted honestly, Harrison?"  
"Deed I wuz, suah; but it's a pow'ful good thing dat wasn't anythin' said 'bout bacon, though."—Merchant Traveler.

**Second Sight.**

Harry Schweigenfus—How vos dis, Mees? I thought you said you could read at sight.  
New Pupil—Se I can; but not at first sight.—The Hambley.

**Damascus Growing Prosperous.**

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